10/549289

Atty. Dkt. No. 081356-0248

JC17 Rec'd PCT/PTO 16 SEP 2005

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Tomoyuki TAHARA et al.

Title:

A THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR PERIODONTAL

DISEASE (As Amended)

Int'l. Appln. No.

PCT/JP2004/003569

Int'l. Filing Date:

March 17, 2004

Examiner:

Unassigned

Art Unit:

Unassigned

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.115

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination of the present Application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: